

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s):	§	
James Kleinsteinber, et al.	§	Art Unit: 2134
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Serial No.: 10/062,853	§	Examiner: Christopher J. Brown
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For: <b>NODE AND PORT</b>	§	Customer No.: 29855
<b>AUTHENTICATION IN A</b>	§	
<b>FIBRE CHANNEL NETWORK</b>	§	

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 16, 2006  
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated August 16, 2006. It is believed that a Request for Continued Examination Fee in the amount of \$790.00 is due. The Office is authorized to charge this fee and any other fees that may be due, as well as credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 501922, referencing attorney docket number 112-0019US.

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